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## WAS DEMOLISHED BY LIGHTNING

Residence of Dr. J. F. McKinstry, Sr., Struck Wednesday.

### BUILDING BADLY DAMAGED.

Two Rooms and Furniture Demolished—Roof Also Damaged—Inmates Unhurt.

About 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, during the heavy rain on that day, lightning struck the magnificent two-story residence of Dr. J. F. McKinstry, Sr., and demolished two of the upper rooms, sash, blinds, plastering and furniture, forced off a considerable amount of weatherboarding, and a large hole through the roof. Shingles, weatherboarding and broken glass was thrown about the yard in all directions, and the floor, beds and other furnishings in the rooms were littered with the fragments made by the stroke.

It seems almost a miracle that none of the inmates were injured. Several ladies were in the house at the time, but they experienced only a slight shock. The doctor's son, Robert McKinstry, had been resting on the bed in one of the rooms only a short while before the stroke, and it was undoubtedly fortunate for him that he left the room before the electric current entered it.

The two rooms so badly torn up were corner rooms, and one in a diagonal direction from the other. No damage was done to that portion of the building between the rooms except the roof, which was considerably damaged.

The friends of the doctor sympathize with him because of the damage to his house and furniture, but are rejoicing to know that no member of his family was injured.

### WILL USE SAME BOOKS.

Action of High School Commission Will Cause No Change.

For the information of many of our readers who have been laboring under the impression that the action of the recent High School Commission may call for a change of books to be used, the editor of The Star has interviewed County Superintendent Holloway, who was a member of the commission, and that official said:

"The action of the High School Commission will in no way affect the school books now in use, or, in other words, it will not necessitate any change of books. It was not within the power of the commission to change the books, even though every member of it had desired to do so. The contract governing the use of school books is made for five years, and the contract now in existence was made only about two years ago, and can not be changed for the next three years. The present school board has not at any time contemplated a change of books, and could not change them if it wished to do so, during the life of the present contract. There will certainly be no change while the present board remains in office."

### Short Term Subscribers.

We have on The Star subscription list a few short term subscribers, whose time will begin to expire this week. We also have a few names on our list that were furnished and paid for by friends of theirs, for a period of three months. Some of these expire with this issue of the paper, and others expire next week.

Those who have been getting the paper without subscribing for it themselves (some of them) are those for whom friends paid for the paper for three months, and they are now earnestly requested to renew their subscription.

Those who feel unable, or for any reason unwilling to subscribe for a full year now, can send us 25 or 50 cents for 3 or 6 months, and we will continue to send them the paper. Twenty-five cents will pay for The Star three months (26 copies), and we trust our friends will not delay the matter of renewing their subscriptions.

### J. F. Smith.

The attention of our readers is directed to the large display advertisement of J. F. Smith, the photographer, which appears in today's Star. Mr. Smith is a leader in his line; he will not turn out poor work; he is one of the best, and persons desirous of securing pictures of themselves or loved ones that hold their own after the subjects have passed away, should call on Smith.

When you want a good picture of the baby, or any other member of the family, go to J. F. Smith, tell him you saw his ad. in The Star, and he will give you what you want.

### For Sheriff.

To the Voters of Alachua County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the action of the next Democratic primary. If elected, I promise to discharge the duties of the office to the very best of my ability, and I solicit the support of all voters at the polls.

Respectfully,  
W. C. HAGUE.

### SUPREME COURT HERE.

Only Session Ever Held in Gainesville Convened Wednesday.

The only session of the Supreme Court ever held in Gainesville convened in the court house here Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, Justice Pen Taylor, who is spending his vacation in Alachua county, presiding.

This session was for the purpose of hearing a habeas corpus case, in which John Trice, receiver for the Globe Phosphate Company was defendant, and the case was heard here because the Supreme Court is not now in session at Tallahassee, and Justice Taylor could be reached at this point.

Trice was arrested by Sheriff A. T. Priest, of Citrus county, for refusing to deliver Globe Phosphate Company property on an order issued by His Honor Judge Bullock, of the fifth Judicial Circuit, because he was in possession of the same by an order issued by His Honor Judge Wall, of the sixth circuit.

The court heard evidence, and argument by counsel and then decided that Judge Bullock had no jurisdiction over the case for the reason that Judge Wall had acquired jurisdiction of the property prior to Judge Bullock's order, whereupon the defendant, Trice, was discharged from arrest for contempt of court.

The property in controversy is situated in Citrus, Marion, Sumter and several other counties, and Justice Taylor's decision probably brings to an end a suit which has been in the courts for about seven years.

### FINED FOR FIGHTING.

Two of Gainesville's Prominent Citizens Before the Mayor.

The council room in the new municipal building was filled with people yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, all anxious to see and hear what would be done in the case of the city vs J. B. Dell, Jr., and J. F. Whetstone, two of Gainesville's prominent citizens, who, it was understood would be arraigned before His Honor G. K. Broome, mayor pro tem, for fighting.

Many of the curious were doubtless disappointed, for not a one of the large number of witnesses who had been summoned was put on the stand.

The case against Mr. Dell was called first, and Mayor Broome said: "Mr. Dell, you are charged with disorderly conduct—fighting within the city limits. Do you wish to plead guilty or not guilty?" And the defendant said, "guilty." Then Mr. Whetstone was arraigned, the same charge announced as in the first case, and the same question as to guilt or innocence asked by the court. The defendant said he was guilty of fighting, but did it defending his person.

The court imposed a fine of \$5.00 and costs (amounting to \$8.25) in each case, asked if there was any other business to come before the court, and being told by Marshal Pinkston that there was none, he declared the court adjourned.

### That Wideman Case.

In the case of Mrs. W. Lee Smith vs. H. G. Mason, county judge, mandamus proceedings to compel him to try a case wherein Jno. W. W. Wideman is the defendant, assault and battery the charge and Mrs. Smith the prosecutor, the defendant was arraigned by Judge Mason having been overruled by Judge Willis, Judge Mason was given until today to make answer, and in the event no answer is made he will be required to hear the case, which will probably be on the 17th inst., which is regular court day.

### Before the Mayor.

In the absence of Mayor Thomas, who is in New York for a while, some of the habitual lawbreakers are getting better acquainted than they formerly were with Councilman G. K. Broome, who, being president of the council, is now acting mayor.

Tuesday morning he had before him William Cook and Samuel McRae, both colored, and being convicted on charges of fighting they were each fined \$1.00 and costs.

### An Important Case.

In the office of the clerk of the circuit court papers have been filed in the case of W. H. Robertson vs. the Board of County Commissioners of Alachua county to compel the Board to pay him as treasury of Alachua county—commission on school funds handled by him.

### Thomas Case Postponed.

The case of the State vs. William Thomas, selling whiskey at Bell, which was to have come up for a commitment hearing before County Judge Mason Wednesday was postponed until the 17th inst.

### In Judge Mason's Court

Sam McRae, colored, who was fined \$1.00 and costs by acting Mayor Broome Thursday, for fighting was re-arrested and arraigned in Judge Mason's court Wednesday, where he was again fined \$1.00 and costs.

### THE EQUITABLE LIFE Assurance Society of the United States.

"STRONGEST IN THE WORLD."

Thames & Shipman, Managers,

Jacksonville, Fla.,

John W. Tench, Local Agent,

Gainesville, Fla.

## MRS. F. S. ALLEN AGAIN IN TROUBLE

The Beautiful Widow Notified to Leave Tampa Immediately.

### SEEKS POLICE PROTECTION.

She Was Placed in Jail on the Charge of Lewd and Lascivious Behavior.

To Alachua countians, and others who remember the sensational killing of a former citizen of Gainesville in Tampa last year, and how the murdered man's wife swore her husband's slayer free, the following from the Tampa Tribune will be interesting reading:

"Mrs. Florence S. Allen, the beautiful widow of Chas. J. Allen, who was shot and killed a year ago by Manuel Chavez, and who was herself the central figure in that sensational tragedy, and the more sensational trial which followed it, was last night an inmate of the county jail.

Mrs. Allen was arrested yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock on a warrant issued by County Judge Robles, and sworn out by Chief Jones on the advice of State Attorney Phillips, charging her with "lewd and lascivious behavior." State Attorney Phillips at once delivered the warrant to Sheriff Lesley. Just before this occurred the sheriff had been called up over the phone by Mrs. Allen herself. Mrs. Allen told the sheriff that she had heard that she would be waited upon by a mob and handled roughly, if she did not leave the city at once. She asked the sheriff to give her protection. Deputy Sheriff James was at once dispatched to Mrs. Allen's residence and placed her under arrest. She and her little boy were taken to the county jail. Judge Robles fixed bail at \$500, but Mrs. Allen decided that she did not care to give it, as she feared for her personal safety and desired the protection afforded by the brick walls of a prison.

### WE SHOULD SMILE.

The thing that goes the farthest toward making life worth while, That costs the least and does the most, is just a pleasant smile. The smile that bubbles from the heart That loves its fellow-men Will drive away the cloud of gloom and coax the sun again. It's full of worth and goodness, too, with manly kindness blent; It's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent.

There is no room for sadness when we see a cheery smile, It always has the same good look—it's never out of style. It naves us on to try again when failure makes us blue—Such dimples of encouragement are good for me and you. So smile away, folks; understand what it's worth a million dollars, and it doesn't cost a cent.

—La Junta (Col.) Republican.

### Invited to Gainesville.

Geo. P. Glenn's scheme of how to consolidate public schools and transport children by wagons to schools is making him famous. Besides other places he has been invited to address people on the methods he today received an invitation from W. M. Holloway, superintendent of schools in Alachua county, to go to Gainesville and address a convention of county school officers on the 15th inst. On next Saturday Prof. Glenn goes to Middleburg, Clay county, for the same purpose.—Jacksonville Metropolis.

### Notice of Teacher's Examination

Beginning on Tuesday, September 8th, 1903, at eight o'clock a. m., and continuing for four days, an examination of applicants for Teachers' Certificates will be held in Gainesville, Fla.

The examination of the white applicants will be conducted in the Academic Hall of East Florida Seminary, and that of the colored in Union Academy.

An examination fee of \$1.00 will be charged.

W. M. HOLLOWAY,  
Co. Supt. Pub. Inst.

### The School Board.

The Alachua County Board of Public Instruction was convened in regular monthly session Tuesday. Present R. B. Weeks, chairman; T. A. Duke, W. W. Colson and Supt. Holloway, a full board. The usual monthly business was transacted, such as approving and paying bills, etc., and the matter of appointment of teachers to fill vacancies was discussed, and late in the afternoon the board adjourned.

### Arrived From Orlando.

Mr. H. B. Arnold, a highly respected citizen of Orlando, having passed the civil service examination, has arrived in the city and been put on Uncle Sam's payroll as an employee in the United States land office in this city. If he proves himself to be as nice a fellow as our friend Chubb, and the other employees in the land office here, we'll all be glad he came.

Have you tried Giddings' Hair Grower? Others have tried it and pronounced it good. For sale at S. B. Giddings' Drug Store, Gainesville, and Postoffice Drug Store, High Springs.

### BOUGHT ROAD MACHINERY.

County Commissioners Have Acted Wisely.

No act of a board of county commissioners can be expected to please all the people, but when such boards do that which they conscientiously believe will be a blessing to all the people, and an injury to none, the members of that board should be looked upon as public benefactors, and their acts commended by all.

Our commissioners did, last Tuesday, perform the "grand act." They purchased of Allan Rogers, State agent of the Good Roads Machinery Company, of Pennsylvania, all the machinery needed in the construction of rock roads, except a crushing machine which will be bought a little later, after it has been more fully decided just what is needed in that line.

The roller and traction engine combined, the grading machine, automatic spreading cars, and other machinery bought, is to be shipped at once, and is expected to be here in about thirty days. An expert will accompany it and put it in working order, and Mr. Rogers will himself superintend the work until a man can be drilled so that he can successfully manipulate the machinery.

There may be some little growling among some of the smaller taxpayers at first about this move, but we predict that very soon the growlers can not be found, and all will be loud in their praise of the county commissioners for performing an act that should have been performed a decade sooner.

### Many Applications.

Col. J. M. Guillems, superintendent of East Florida Seminary, received one day recently 50 applications, and the next day 44 applications, for East Florida Seminary catalogues. These applications came from all sections of Florida, and some from other States. They were from prospective students, and show that the Seminary has a bright future before it.

When the excursion from High Springs to Ocala, and points between, left Gainesville yesterday morning there were five coaches crowded with colored passengers, and three coaches carrying whites.

Col. B. A. Thrasher and Mr. A. U. Hilleary returned Wednesday from a few days outing on the Gulf coast. They went from here to Cedar Key, and thence by boat to several of the islands along the coast, and enjoyed a camp hunt.

Deputy Sheriff A. E. Osteen of Hines brought to the city Tuesday a negro named Wagner Smith, who had been committed by Justice DeLoe, on a charge of assault with intent to murder, and failing to furnish bond will remain in jail until the circuit court convenes.

Rev. M. A. Clonts, pastor of the Baptist church at Levyville, surprised his congregation Sunday by telling them he could not serve them any longer. Mr. Clonts is field officer of the Southern Baptist, a new paper published in Gainesville.—Orlando Record, Aug. 6.

### HAIR GROWER.

This is Very Wonderful if True—Try a Bottle and be convinced.

Brooklyn N. Y., April 21, 99

Dr. S. B. Giddings,

Dear Sir:

Will you kindly inform me by return mail if you can send my fifty cent bottle of Hair Grower the Unparalleled (Trade Mark) and if so I will send you a postal note for the same. Please inform me the amount of postage if it can be mailed.

When in Florida the winter of 1897 and 98 I used five bottles of the twenty-five cent size and produced a nice growth of hair where it had been entirely bald for fifteen years, and now I would like to try it once more if I can get it.

Yours truly,  
J. W. HAYNES, 59 Hicks St.

State of Florida,  
County of Alachua,  
City of Gainesville.

Personally appeared before the subscribed, a Notary Public in and for the State of Florida, at large, S. B. Giddings, who being duly sworn by me deposes and says that the above testimonial was sent to him by mail by J. W. Haynes, a man whom he had never seen or heard of, also that he had no knowledge of the man ever having used or procured the Unparalleled Hair Grower, and as far as he knows no one had influenced him to send it, and that the man has never received anything for sending it.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of November A. D. 1902.  
S. B. GIDDINGS, M. D.  
J. M. RIVERS,

Notary Public for the State of Florida at large.

Send Your Laundry to

—THE—

Jewel Laundry,

J. Runkle, Proprietor,

GAINESVILLE, - FLA.

C. M. Dell of Hague was in Gainesville yesterday.

Read "Short Term Subscribers," elsewhere in today's Star.

How about a good alarm clock for your bed room? L. C. Smith.

Deputy Sheriff McCann of LaCrosse was in the city Tuesday.

Have your clothing cleaned at Owen Lloyd's Dye Works. July 14, 1903.

Dr. J. D. Watkins went to Jacksonville and returned yesterday.

G. E. Reeves of High Springs was in Gainesville Wednesday.

30 Cents a day saved will grow to \$640 in 80 months. See Moyers.

Deputy United States Marshal Chambers, of Ocala, was in the city Tuesday.

Fresh meats always on hand at P. V. Smith's meat market 'Phone No. 36-3.

At the Baptist prayermeeting last night the number of males exceeded the number of females.

Five hundred feet moulding just received. Have your pictures framed at Garrett's Studio.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Fagan are the happy parents of a 13-lb. daughter, who arrived Wednesday.

You should have a Waterman Ideal Fountain Pen, suited to the kind of work you do. L. C. Smith.

W. L. Hill, the popular New York Life Insurance man, made a business trip to Ocala Tuesday.

Old newspapers, suitable for wrapping purposes, 15 cts. a hundred or 25 for 5 cts., at THE STAR OFFICE.

A. T. Priest, the popular and efficient sheriff of Citrus county, was here on official business Wednesday.

Have your pictures enlarged and framed at Garrett's Studio. One thousand feet of moulding to arrive in a few days.

Hon. P. G. Ramsey, county commissioner from Wacahoota was transacting business in the city yesterday.

No trouble to make a frame any size at any price with Brandon's Perfection Miter Machine at Garrett's Studio.

C. V. McQueen, a prominent citizen of the West End, was in the city Wednesday from his home at Lexington.

Don't Worry. The town is dry, but plant that 20 cents a day with Moyers and watch it grow to \$720 in 80 months.

W. T. McLendon, a leading trucker from the Alachua section, was among the business visitors to the city Wednesday.

Fresh meats, groceries and vegetables call, send me your orders or 'phone for what you want. J. G. Harrold, 'Phone No. 25.

Mrs. G. S. Merchant and several children are visiting the former's brother, Mr. H. S. Richardson, at High Springs.

If it is job printing you want just send your order to the star. It will have prompt attention, and work and prices will suit you.

B. M. Pound, who recently purchased a residence from R. W. Hall in North-east Gainesville; has removed his family to the same.

Giddings' Hair Grower does the work. For Sale by Dr. S. B. Giddings, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store, High Springs, Fla.

Manager Doig says he'll have that new electric light plant in operation before a great while, and then he'll turn the light on us.

We have just what you want in sterling silver, sugar spoons butter knives, table and desert spoons and many other pieces. L. C. Smith.

Have you seen W. D. Fagan & Co's large display advertisement in The Star? See what they say. They mean it. Try them for fresh meats.

For a few days old newspapers, suitable for wrapping purposes, can be had at THE STAR office for 10 cents a hundred. Forty-five papers for 5 cts.

City Marshal C. C. Harwell, J. C. Newberr and E. K. Anderson, were among the prominent High Springs people who were in the city yesterday.

Miss Rosebud Mixson and Mrs. E. M. Walton are at Asheville, N. C., where they will spend a few weeks, it is hoped by their friends, very pleasantly.

Deputy Sheriff Livingston of Newberry, one of the Sheriff's most competent and faithful deputies, was in the city Wednesday on official business.

Dr. J. H. Pierson, after a four months stay in this city, where he practiced dentistry, left a few days ago for Daytona, where he will engage in the same profession.

If your hair is becoming thin try Giddings' Unparalleled Hair Grower. For sale by Dr. S. B. Giddings, Gainesville, and the Postoffice Drug Store, High Springs.

Mrs. Shelton Phillips, the estimable wife of Hon. S. Phillips, superintendent of public instruction of Levy county, is the guest of Mrs. L. T. Roux, in East Gainesville.

F. H. McCrae, of Denmark, S. C., was a guest of his friend J. A. Dawson, this city, Wednesday. He left here for Ocala, and other points South, where he goes on a prospecting tour.

A. S. McLendon, High Springs; C. W. Wells, Alachua; J. W. Williams, Wade; J. C. B. and William Thomas, Dell, and Sam Leonard, High Springs, were in the city Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Haile and children left yesterday for Saluda, N. C., from which place Mr. Haile will proceed to Warm Springs, Va. They will be absent from Gainesville about two months.



## Fine Fadeless Fotografafs.

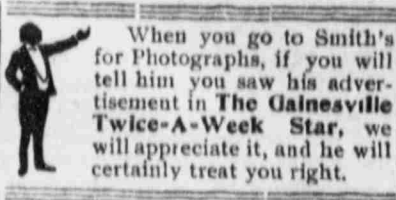
I am overstocked in several grades of mounts, from card to 8 x 10 size. As I don't sell mounts without photos on them I will make photos on these grades at a reduced price while the stock lasts.

They are all new, this year's designs, and of good quality—I use no other kind.

There will be no reduction in the quality of the photos. All will be FINE FADELESS FOTOGRAFS.

## J. F. SMITH,

Gainesville, - Fla.



When you go to Smith's for Photographs, if you will tell him you saw his advertisement in The Gainesville Twice-A-Week Star, we will appreciate it, and he will certainly treat you right.

## E. E. VOYLE

FIRE, BOND AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Representing a number of prominent American and English companies.

### Abstract and Realty Company,

(Incorporated)  
E. E. VOYLE, Manager.

Get an abstract of title to land before buying. After paying the purchase money there is often no redress for tax sales and uncanceled mortgages.

### Manhattan "A" Typewriter.

NOT IN THE TRUST.

### A Hundred-Dollar Typewriter for \$50.

Guaranteed for one year. Sold on monthly payments at a slight advance to responsible parties. Typewriter Ribbons for various machines.

### REAL ESTATE, DWELLINGS AND LAND FOR SALE.

E. E. VOYLE,  
GAINESVILLE, FLA.

## The STAR is \$1 a Year.

## BRING US

Your Chickens, Eggs, Vegetables, and in fact all kinds of Country Produce.

## WE PAY

Highest Prices for Country Produce, and Sell as Cheap as the Cheapest.

## CALL ON

Us when you want Staple and Fancy Groceries. Give us a Trial.

### GAINESVILLE GROCERY CO.,

Gainesville, Fla.